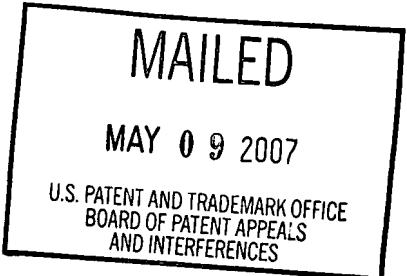


UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte ROBERT S. BOSKO

Application 10/606,873
Technology Center 1700



ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on February 5, 2007. A review has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, this application is herewith being returned to the Examiner. The matter requiring attention prior to docketing is identified below:

Appellant filed an Appeal Brief which was received by the USPTO on September 6, 2006. The content provided under the heading "SUMMARY OF CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER" is deficient in that it does not provide a concise explanation of the subject matter defined in each of the independent claims involved in the appeal and each dependent claim argued separately. Correction is required. MPEP § 1205.03 states:

When the Office holds the brief to be defective solely due to appellant's failure to provide a summary of the claimed subject matter as required by 37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(v), an entire new brief need not, and should not, be filed. Rather, a paper providing a summary of the claimed subject matter as required by 37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(v) will suffice. Failure to timely respond to

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the Office's requirement will result in dismissal of the appeal. See MPEP § 1215.04 and §711.02(b).

Accordingly, it is ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner to:

- 1) hold the Appeal Brief filed on September 6, 2006, defective;
- 2) notify appellants to file a paper providing a summary of the claimed subject matter as required by 37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(v);
- 3) consider the paper providing a summary of the claimed subject matter as required by 37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(v) and;
- 4) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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